LOCAL MEDICAL RESOURCES

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NOTE:

There is no shortage of physicians, dentists, clinics, and hospitals both small and large. However, most fall short of Western standards of health care. Many facilities, especially the public ones, lack essential supplies and equipment. Even the better hospitals and clinics lack the most modern equipment. On the bright side, however, there are a number of intelligent, well-trained practitioners available. Many have trained in France or Western Europe. They may not be equal to the specialists at Mayo Clinic or the Johns Hopkins Hospital, but then again, neither are most American doctors. Probably the most important thing to remember about medical personnel and facilities in Abidjan is that it is a very fluid and changeable situation. The good consultant that was here last month may have left the country temporarily or even permanently.

One of the biggest barriers to accessing local care is language. Although in much of the world English has become the language of medicine, health practitioners in Francophone countries are still holding out. Few clinicians here speak English.

Following is a list of doctors and resources, currently in practice at the time of publication of this list.

■ CARDIOLOGISTS

♣ Dr. Anne Bogui - Centre Médical Cardio-Respiratoire Rue De Jardins 2 Plateaux

Phone: (+225) 22-41-38-38 / 22-41-88-88

■ CARDIOVASCULAR SURGEONS

Professeur Kangah

Phone: (+225) 05-05-93-88/ 225-21258129

■ CHIROPRACTER / OSTEO-PHYSIOTHERAPIST

Dr. Adèle N'ze - La maison Chiropratique

Phone: (+225) 48 02 12 07

■ DENTISTS

♣ Dr. Jacques Faddoul - Jeceda Building (downtown Plateau) Phone: (+225) 20-21-66-10 / 20-21-62-97

♣ Dr. Toure Turquin - Deux Plateaux Vallons Phone : (+225) 22-41-06-50

■ DERMATOLOGISTS

♣ Professeur GBERY - PISAM Phone : (+225) 22-48-31-31

■ GASTROENTEROLOGISTS

♣ Professeur Benoit Mathieu Camara - PISAM Phone : (+225) 22-44-91-00 / 22-48-31-31

■ GENERAL SURGEONS

♣ Professeur Eric Koffi - PISAM Phone : (+225) 22-48 3131

■ GENERALISTS

Dr. Najoua Karaki-Tizon - Clinique Le Bélier Blvd Giscard d'Estaing, Marcory Phone : (+225) 21-26-26-86

♣ Dr. Gérard Montagnier - Immeuble Nour Al Hayat, Plateau Phone : (+225) 20-21-22-63/20-21-33-52

■ HEMATOLOGIST

♣ Professeur Amadou Sangare Phone: (+225) 23-45-21-70

■ LABORATORY

♣ BIOCSAM - PISAM Phone : (+225) 22-48-31-23 / 22-48-31-31

Laboratoire Dr. Pierre Montagnier

Phone: (+225)-20-21-22-63; 20-21-33-53; 20-21-27-85

Phone: (+225) 05-01-11-79

■ NEUROLOGIST

♣ Dr. Ettien Felicien - PISAM PHONE (225) 22-48-31-31; also 20-33-75-00

■ NEUROSURGEONS

- Professeur Kakou Medard PISAM Phone (+225) 22483131
- ♣ Professeur Guy Varlet
 C.H.U. Yopougon Phone (+225) 23-46-68-30 / 30-68-71-70
 Also PISAM Phone (+225) 22-48-31-31

■ OBSTETRICIAN/ GYNECOLOGISTS

♣ Dr. Kassi Joséphine - Clinique Les Bleuets Rue des Jardins, Deux Plateaux Phone (+225) 22-41-72-08

■ OPHTHALMOLOGISTS

- ♣ Dr. Ahmed Khalaf Clinique Médicale Trade Center (works with three other ophthalmologists)
 Phone (+225) 20-21-97-97 / 20-21-20-98
- ♣ Dr. Wognin Danielle PISAM Phone (+225) 22-48-31-31

■ ORTHODONTIST

♣ Dr. Huguette Roux - Rue des Jardins, Deux Plateaux Phone (+225) 22-42-94-40

■ ORTHOPEDIC AND TRAUMA SURGEONS

- ♣ Professeur Inza Bamba PISAM Phone (+225) 22-48-31-31
- ♣ Professeur Abdoulaye Bana PISAM Phone (+225) 225-22-48-31-31
- ♣ Professeur Cosme Aguehunde PISAM Phone (+225) 22-48-31-31
 - ♣ Professeur William B. Djibo PISAM Phone (+225) 22-48-31-31
- ♣ Professeur Yves Lambin PISAM Phone (+225) 22-48-31-31

■ OTOLARYNGOLOGISTS (ENT)

- ♣ Dr. Joseph Boguifo Clinique Médicale Spécialisée (CMS) (same street as Polyclinique Deux Plateaux) Phone (+225) 22-41-72-96 / 22-41-75-09
- ♣ Dr. Nassoko Mamadou PISAM Phone (+225) 22-48-31-31

■ PEDIATRICIANS

- ♣ Dr. Kamal Abdullah Clinique Médical Trade Center Phone (+225) 20-21-97-97 / 20-21-20-98
- ♣ Dr. Philomène Lavodrama Clinique Les Bleuets Rue des Jardins, Deux Plateaux Phone (+225) 22-41-72-08
- ♣ Professeur Dick Amon Tano Flore Phone (+225) 22-44-16-86 / 22-44-07-66

■ PHYSIOTHERAPIST

♣ Mr. Ambroise Loucou - PISAM Phone (+225) 22-48-31-31

■ PLASTIC SURGEONS

- ♣ Professeur Henri Asse Phone (+225) 23-54-02-20
- ♣ Dr. Jean-Pierre Maleombho Laboratoire WILIC Phone (+225) 20-33-19-33

■ PSYCHOLOGISTS/PSYCHIATRISTS

- ♣ Dr. Coulibaly Djeneba PISAM Phone (+225) 22-48-31-31
- ♣ Dr. Djete Jacques Beugre Capsy Indenie Plateau Rue des Fromagers, (near Cathedrale Saint Paul) Phone (+225) 20-21-56-19
- ♣ Dr. Marie-Thérèse Trazo Marcory Pharmacie Tiacoh Phone (+225) 21-26-30-33 ; Cel : 60114275 ; 05682862

■ PULMONOLOGIST

Dr. Pascal BOGUI – Centre Médical Cardio-Respiratoire Phone (+225) 22-42-88-88; 22-41-38-38; Cel: 05-83-24-59

■ UROLOGISTS

Professeur Sangare Phone: (+225) 22-44-51-32 / 05-01-92-90

♣ Professeur Dje Koffi

Phone: (+225) 21-24-91-22 / 21-35-51-47

■ RADIOLOGY SERVICES

Basic x-ray studies, some contrast x-rays (like barium studies), ultrasound examinations, mammograms, MRI and CT scans all can be done in Abidjan.

♣ PISAM (Dr. OUATTARA A.) – Cocody above the Corniche +225- 22-48-31-31

♣ Centre d'Imagerie Diagnostique (CID) - Plateau

Phone: (+225) 20-21-44-11/20-21-46-40

Centre d'Imagerie Médicale Abidjan (CIMA) - Treichville

Phone: (+225) 21.24.54.09/ 07.99.61.80

■ HOSPITALS

There are numerous private hospitals, usually referred to as "polycliniques", in Abidjan. The best polycliniques in Abidjan at the current time are:

Private Hospitals & Cliniques

1) Polyclinique Internationale Ste. Anne-Marie (PISAM)

Phone (+225) 22-48-31-31

This privately run facility is the best Abidjan has to offer. Though referred to as a "polyclinic" it is equivalent to a community hospital in a small city in the United States. It is clean, fairly modern, and attractive. Rooms are mostly two-bedded though private rooms are also available. Laboratory and x-ray facilities, including a CT scanner, are functional though most technology is about 10-15 years outdated. An excellent variety of capable specialists are available. Many have received training in Europe. A small ER is open 24/7 and has a physician available at all times. Payment is expected at the time of services. **PISAM is located in Cocody above the Corniche.**

2) Les Bleuets Clinique Phone (+225) 22-41-72-08

A small clinic conveniently located on the Rue des Jardins in Deux Plateaux, this facility specializes in pediatrics and ob/gyn. Services are available 24-hours/ day. Children can be hospitalized here if necessary for intravenous therapy and hydration.

- **3) Polyclinique Internationale de L'Indénie** Phone (+225) 20-21-53-53 This new facility opened in spring 2001 next to the old American Club. It is a very attractive clinic and hospital with some well-qualified, mainly Lebanese physicians.
- 4) GMP (Groupe Médical du Plateau) Phone (+225) 20 22 20 29/ 07 07 00 70

Public Hospitals

The main public hospitals, the CHU (University Hospital Center) system with campuses in Cocody, Treichville and Yopougon, would not routinely be used by Embassy personnel for clinical care. The system does, however, have some excellent physician specialists on staff and their expertise could be called on in certain situations. These facilities would also be utilized in a mass casualty emergency situation.